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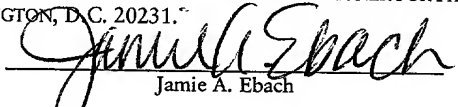
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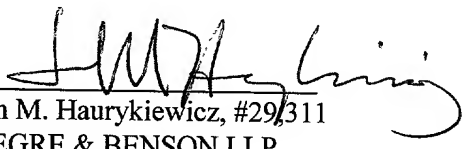
1. New patent application consisting of: Specifications (9 pages), 31 Claims (6 pages), Abstract (1 page), Drawings (4 pages);
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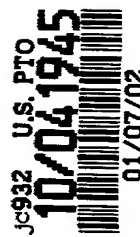
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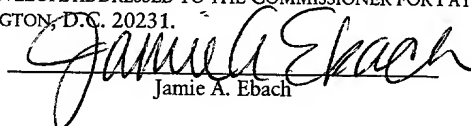


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Dear Sir:


Applicant requests that the above-noted application not be published under 35 U.S.C. § 122(b). The invention disclosed in the above-noted application has not been and will not be the subject of an application filed in another country or under a multilateral international agreement, that requires publication at eighteen months after filing.

No fee is believed to be necessary. Should any fee be required, the Commissioner is authorized to charge our Deposit Account No. 06-0029 and notify us of the same.

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